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WAR & PEACE

# UN hails Big 4 talk plea; U.S. peace package 'a bust'

Action, Paris

THE mounting pressure of the world's people for peace made itself felt last week in Paris' Chaillot Palace, where the UN General Assembly began its sixth session, as well as in the capitals of the "free world." Opening the Assembly, France's President Auriol made an unexpected plea for talks among the Big Four heads of state. His bid, which received an ovation, "apparently took American officials by surprise. It appeared to reflect a much broader public support in Europe for the idea than had been generally realized" (N.Y. **Herald Tribune,** Nov. 11). Said the N.Y. **Times,** Nov. 6:

> Silence at both the White House and the State Dept. was generally regarded as an effort to cool off whatever hopes might be raised. . . .

Asked for comment in Paris, Soviet Foreign Minister Vishinsky replied: "En Avant!" (Let's go!). India, Pakistan, Egypt expressed approval; British and U.S. delegations "made no secret of their disapproval" (N.Y. **Times,** Nov. 7). But only a few hours earlier Churchill had called for a "new atmosphere and climate of thought, of revived relationship and sense of human comradeship" betwen East and West, pledging

> ". . . a supreme effort to bridge the gulf between the two worlds so that each can live their life, if not in friendship, at least without the fears, hatreds and frightful waste of the cold war."

**TRUMAN'S "PEACE PACKAGE":** Announcing a Churchill visit to the U.S. in January, the N.Y. **Herald Tribune** said President Truman might soon "find himself the one leader of the modern world opposed to such a meeting" (with Stalin). The President, on the eve of departure for his winter vacation in Florida (where, he said, he planned to study geography), fired the opening salvo of what the N.Y. **Times** called "a new battle in the cold war—possibly the most critical battle yet": the battle "to seize the initiative from Russia and capture the word 'peace'." In a nation-wide speech, in which the **Times** noted he used the word "peace" 14 times, Truman presented a package "disarmament plan"—later elaborated by Secy. Acheson in Paris and in a joint Anglo-U.S.-French statement.

The plan called for a census of all armed forces and armaments except atomic (which would be counted in an indefinite future)—to be initiated only after settlement of the Korean War and Soviet acceptance of the Baruch atomic control plan or something like it. The N.Y. **Times'** Thomas J. Hamilton explained Nov. 8 how it would work:

> Assuming these two conditions were met, that the census proceeded without complications and that meanwhile East and West agreed on the manifold complicated problems involved in establishing strict armament control, disarmament would not actually be carried out unless "the major political issues which have divided the world" were settled. [And even then the U.S. would not have] to report its stockpile of atomic bombs . . . until the U.S. and UN were certain that the Soviet Union was loyally cooperating.

**"IT'S A BUST":** The "most critical battle" did not seem to be going well. Delegates at UN, said the N.Y. **Post** Nov. 8, "unhappily admit that the widely heralded Allied 'package peace plan' was essentially the same as former Allied offers . . . based on the earlier Baruch-Acheson-Lilienthal plan." Calling it "a play to the gallery" designed to put the Soviet Union "in a hole," the Washington **Post** (usually pro-Truman on foreign policy) commented Nov. 8:

> In our opinion this is an intolerable way to conduct foreign policy because it confuses propaganda with statesmanship. . . . [The Western Allies are] worried by the

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UN photo

## The people will be heard

**As the titans tussle over war and atom bombs at the UN Assembly in Paris, the people of the world are demanding peace and insisting that they be heard. Especially in colonial countries with no representation in UN (almost half the world's population is unrepresented) the unrest increases; the peoples of color are breaking the bonds of the Western master. In "The United Nations and Power Politics" (reviewed by Cedric Belfrage on p. 8) John McLaurin writes: "The twentieth century may yet go down in history as the Century of the Little Man's Revolt. Our own rulers in their Western armchairs should take care lest they go down in history as just little men, too small to understand what is taking place and too selfish to resist using the troubles of others for their power political game."**

# DuBois Peace Trial opens in capital — The jury: 6 whites, 8 Negroes

"MAY God have mercy on the United States of America and on this honorable court!" With these words from the court crier the much-postponed trial of Negro scholar-statesman Dr. W. E. B. DuBois and four white associates in the Peace Information Center finally got under way in Washington last Thursday. The five are charged with the crime of spreading propaganda for peace without registering under the Foreign Agents Registration Act. It took a day to select from 150 talesmen, who completely filled the court, a jury consisting of 6 whites, 8 Negroes. Then the court was recessed until Nov. 13.

**ELIZABETH MOOS**
*For disturbing the war*

Among witnesses the government said it will call are attorney O. John Rogge and six FBI agents. Main basis of the indictment is that the now-dissolved peace group circulated a petition (the Stockholm petition urging that atom weapons be outlawed) identical in language with one circulated throughout the world by the international Defenders of Peace.

**"U.S. WILL BE DISGRACED":** Peace campaigners from six states, who gathered in Washington's Federal Courthouse on Wednesday, moved in a body on learning of the further 24-hour postponement to the Cafeteria Workers Union hall and held an impromptu meeting. They compared notes on the progress of the peace fight in their communities, listened to informal talks by Rev. Willard Uphaus of the American Peace Crusade, Mrs. Pauline Taylor, Negro housewife of Youngstown, Ohio, Dr. DuBois and co-defendants Abbott Simon and Mrs. Elizabeth Moos.

Mrs. Moos, well-known pioneer in the progressive education field, who returned voluntarily from Europe to answer the charges and was handcuffed on arrival at Idlewild airport, stirred the group with her calm, forceful appraisal of the case's domestic and world implications. Novelist Shirley Graham (Mrs. W. E. B. DuBois) said that American women would be disgraced before the world, and their children would be objects of contempt wherever they traveled, if the five were convicted and the advocating of peace were thus officially declared a crime in America.

## Write to your local paper

The discussion among peace campaigners from six states who came to Washington for the peace trial brought out two points clearly:

- **Wherever people are reached with the simple facts about the case, they are amazed and shocked that five people are being put on trial in America for the "crime" of advocating peace, and are anxious to take effective protest action.**
- **Most Americans, however, do not even know the case is going on. The press has given and is continuing to give it the "silent treatment"—clearly because the government's "case" is so outrageous that it is impossible to present it in a favorable light. How far this is being carried was shown by Dr. DuBois, citing the incident of an author who recently wrote a letter to the New York Times concerning a review of the writer's book. The letter mentioned the DuBois case. The writer was asked by the Times to remove the reference to DuBois, and his letter would then be published.**

The opening of the trial was completely ignored by the white commercial press of New York and Washington (and presumably of the entire U.S.). Yet this is the case which will set the precedent in America as to whether peace is "alien," whether the advocating of peace by and for Americans is "criminal."

The government's attempt to jail these five peace advocates will be swamped by a torrent of protest once the people know what is going on. The press-radio iron curtain must be broken. You can help break it. **Use the next few minutes' spare time you get to write a letter or just a postcard to at least one (preferably to all) of your local papers, asking why they are not reporting the DuBois case. Get as many friends as possible to do the same. Will you?** —THE EDITORS

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# THE MAIL BAG

### Dogs and soldier sons

KALISPELL, MONT.

From Alliance, Neb., came a news broadcast of a mass demonstration and parade protesting restrictive measures on dogs, during which pro-dog leaflets were dropped from airplanes overhead, following which over 1,600 people registered to vote on a measure protesting severe restrictions on dogs. This sort of a demonstration for dogs seems to meet general official approval for the welfare and security of dogs and attracted attention enough to get here to Montana.

I am wondering if as many mothers demonstrating for the welfare of their sons to be brought home and given their freedom from the war and battlefield would get in the papers and over the radio news and be accepted as courageously? If it is strictly all OK to work for the welfare and security of our dogs, what shall we do for our dear, beloved sons? Now, we demand action from President Truman and all of his helpers TO STOP THE WAR AND FREE OUR SONS FROM WAR.

From the depths of a mother's heart and the mother of a soldier boy.

**Maude Ridenour**
(Also written in behalf of the Flathead Women for Peace)

### Postal mortem

LA HABRA, CALIF.

They killed her, my lovely one, the color of cream;
Murdered her cold bloodedly in her dress trimmed in green—
They who are interested but in oil deposits coastal . . .
I'll never forget you, my own, my Penny Postal. **Eli Saenz**

### Season of Peace

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y.

From earliest days, history tells us, man in one manner or another has celebrated a winter festival. Offerings to the gods were made in hopes they would see fit to bring back the longer, warmer days so that food could be grown. Jews and Christians, people of every creed, take some note of the season. In this light, it seems to me that we might all take this opportunity to bring attention to the theme of Peace and Brotherhood, by sending cards to every friend and acquaintance, regardless of our creed or theirs. There are many tasteful cards available which emphasize Peace (note Guardian Buying Service!), are completely non-sectarian and would offend no one but a warmonger. These are indeed wintry days for all who love Peace and their fellow men. By such little reminders we may warm and encourage many. **Dorsey Roth**

### How crazy can you get dept.

**The fact that people in the aggregate are spending a smaller part of their incomes than at any time since 1945 shows that they can spend more, if and when they choose.**

Monthly Letter of the National City Bank of N. Y., Sept., 1951

A year's sub rewards the sender of each item published under this heading.

### "We'll win yet"

ALFRED, ME.

Dear Dora Tipton:

The GUARDIAN not only printed your letter as you requested, but gave it prominent place. You are a brave and loyal mother. All mothers are not as brave. Working class mothers, whose sons are the ones sent into the trenches, are so separated by distance and scant funds, that organization is almost impossible. It takes money for everything. We can all help by joining with the Civil Rights Congress, send what small amounts as we can afford, and help support the newspapers that are on our side. Be of good cheer, Dora Tipton, our side will yet win. **Mary Averill**

### God's Kingdom

PAROWAN, UTAH

God tells us in His scripture that "the kingdom of God will steal upon the world like a thief in the night." What is God's kingdom? Public ownership of the utilities and main industries. Government control of the banking system. Socialized medicine. Adequate pensions for the aged—pensions at 60 or under. Free education. Job security and shorter working hours for workers. A high standard of living for all people regardless of race. The redistribution of the land, and the development of a network of waterways throughout all nations in order that wastelands may be redeemed for the homeless. Free trade relations with all nations and a "love thy neighbor as thyself" policy with all peoples of the world. The establishment of the collective cooperative system under Socialism. This is the great immortal plan of redemption, which will eventually redeem all the Capitalist nations from their wicked state of mass murder and legalized thievery. Therefore let us, the progressive people, now come to power in America and beat weapons of war into plowshares and pruning hooks and learn war no more. **Olive Carroll**

### Tell 'em plenty!

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

I'm only a working stiff but just the same I have had sense enough to use our paper to check on the lies in the commercial press, on the radio, and by some preachers and priests and rabbis. But just now when my family wants me to buy a home with a down payment, time on balance, I have an added reason for thanking you for the education received. It's a cinch we will have the worst depression we have ever had within a year, so I shall buy nothing I don't have to now. The bosses can't keep this war going long—and then, oh boy—no work and TAXES. Print this, and, at my next lodge and union meeting will I tell them about our paper! **Subscriber**

### Reminder

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Those of us—and that must include ALL your readers—who are glad you took up the Rosenberg crusade should remember that, in addition to contributing to their defense, we should help the newspaper without which there might have been no defense movement for these two martyrs of the cold war. I enclose my bit to help the GUARDIAN continue to fight the good fight all along the line.
**Frederick A. Blossom**

### Not very . . .

BRONX, N. Y.

New York Supt. of Schools Jansen's "Corpse Tags" (as your letter column so aptly put it last week) are presently designed for children's wear. If we let him do this to our children, how long do you think it will take before parents are also strung up? **Jack Taylor**

### Brandy burbles

SPARTANBURG, S. C.

Whatever fine talk Mr. Winston Churchill may now be burbling on freedom, ethics, etc., let's not forget that he's the gentleman who (1) organized the 11-nation army invasion of Russia in 1918-20 to put its people back under royal tyranny; (2) invented—and launched from Truman's front porch — the ruinous Truman-Marshall plan; (3) amid the cold-war "austerity" privations of Britain's working class still manages to keep rich, fat, brandy-pickled and in $3 cigars (on American taxpayers' money).
**Agnes Cloverdale**

**Build the GUARDIAN—the Peace Paper**

**In its Oct. 25 issue South Africa's progressive weekly The Guardian reprinted items it has published since 1947 which have stung the jimcrow Malan government into sending the paper an ultimatum of arbitrary suppression. One was this cartoon on the government's "All Fascists Welcome" immigration screening (almost equally applicable to U. S. immigration policy). All newspapers except those of Malan's Nationalist Party denounced the move to suppress an opposition paper without even the formality of legal proceedings. Leading churchmen, officials, MP's, trade unionists joined in sponsoring emergency Free Press committees which held mass rallies, demanded removal of the ban.**

*The Voice of America*

## How to influence Chiang and lose the Chinese

UNIVERSITY OF SHANGHAI

YOUR issue of Aug. 22, just received, says Rep. Wood urged that Voice of America scripts be approved in advance by a committee from the DAR.

I think this must have already come to pass, as the Voice is so exceedingly crude. I am sure the Chinese government really wants peace, and here is the proof: If they wanted war, they would make it **compulsory** for everyone in China to listen to the Voice. This would rouse the Chinese to a seething fury of hatred for America. For instance:

The Voice keeps building up the "UN victories" in Korea, which it calls a "punishment inflicted on Chinese Reds." Punishment for defending their homeland from attack and invasion! This, mind you, in the special edition of the Voice intended for the ears of the Chinese people—and yet it speaks of these Chinese people as "the enemy," as in the repeated assertion that America "must not turn Formosa over to the enemy." (It always calls Taiwan "Formosa" and the capital of this country "Peiping.")

More reports I heard on the Voice beamed to the Far East: (1) Speaker Martin in Congress said the U. S. must be militarily strong or (these are his exact words) "we will not be able to dictate peace ON OUR TERMS in Asia." (2) Somebody (didn't get the name) speaking in California said we must build up our military strength in Asia and then "we can use the Asiatics to drive the Russians back—then Asia will be free."

Do you suppose anyone connected with the Voice ever read **How to Win Friends and Influence People?**

ON another broadcast Acheson said the U. S.-dictated UN embargo is causing "great economic distress" in China. This I consider the absolute extreme of stupid lies. Everyone in China knows it isn't true: China is doing very nicely, and new industries are having a chance to develop without fear of the dumping of U. S. products to ruin them as happened before liberation. All that Acheson's statement would mean to any Chinese who heard it is that America hopes and WANTS to cause "great economic distress" to China, which is indeed the case.

While Acheson by hot air alone is causing great distress in China, America is trying hard to build up trade with Italy. For days Far Eastern listeners to the Voice (if there any besides me dumb enough to listen) have heard about Italy-in-Macy's. Italy got a dirty deal in the peace treaty, is to be welcomed into the family of "free nations" alongside of Japan, etc. I can't imagine what great interest the Voice thinks the Far East has in Italy. To most Chinese Italy is only a name, and a quite unpleasant one, since many Italian priests in China were caught red-handed spying for Mussolini, helping the Japs and, later, the Americans.

On the Kaesong neutrality violations, here are statements by various U. S. spokesmen on various days: (1) Absolutely no UN planes fly over the Kaesong area; (2) Every day many UN planes fly over the area as they have a perfect right to do, since they are going somewhere else; (3) One plane flew over — lost, due to faulty navigation; (4) UN has observed strict neutrality; (5) It is impossible for UN to observe strict neutrality due to Kaesong's location; (6) No unauthorized UN personnel are in the area because they got lost or wandered in by mistake.

ONCE in a while the Voice comes up with a statement I believe to be the unvarnished truth: for instance, the U. S. income tax is to be raised again. After broadcasting Green's Labor Day speech, a commentator said: "William Green and JUST ABOUT anyone else is free to express his opinion." "Just about!" By the area; (7) The only unauthorized UN personnel in the area are there because they got lost or wandered in by mistake.

Do you suppose the Voice is subsidized by Moscow gold?

**Dorothy Cheng**

P. S.: I am a white American woman married to a Chinese. China has a wonderful future, and my children are to be a part.

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# UN acclaims plea for Big 4 parley

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dislike of rearmament and the longing for peace among the peoples of the western world. If the governments were not deeply concerned by the state of world opinion they would not have issued their disarmament proposals and Truman would not have spoken as he did last night.

The **Wall St. Journal's** Joseph E. Evans (Nov. 9) said the plan "ignored reality for the sake of propaganda," suggested as one practical way to make peace as distinct from propaganda "a new meeting of Big Three heads of state with Stalin. . . ." The **N.Y. Times'** James Reston (Nov. 9) flatly called the plan "to use an old diplomatic term, a bust," saw as its only practical purpose "not to end the cold war . . . but to wage the cold war more effectively." On Vishinsky's complaint in the Assembly that the plan "kept him awake all night laughing," Reston commented:

He accused the Western allies of hypocrisy, and if the truth is to be reported there are a lot of people around here who believe there is some justification for the charge.

**VISHINSKY'S "PROPAGANDA":** Vishinsky proposed to the Assembly: end the Korean War, with troops of both sides withdrawing from the 38th Parallel within 10 days of an armistice, and foreign troops from Korea within three months; declare that participation in the Atlantic Pact and establishment of bases on foreign soil is incompatible with UN membership; call a world conference outside UN next June to reduce arms, outlaw the A-bomb; recommend conclusion of a five-power peace pact.

Western officials called the proposals "stale propaganda," the speech "ineffective," but the **N.Y. Post** (Nov. 9) felt Vishinsky had at least "made a more exciting and headline grabbing address than Dean Acheson." Although world reaction was not yet in, the **N.Y. Times** (Nov. 10) reported that in India the Western peace bid "went off like a damp squib" while the Soviet counter-proposal "was considered more likely to win a favorable response." It attributed this reaction to Soviet insistence on China's right to participate in all Asian affairs, noting that recent Indian-Chinese cultural interchanges, the brief home visit of India's Ambassador to China Panikkar (on his way to the Paris Assembly), had hardened "India's predisposition to the Communist point of view" on China. In Paris Panikkar said world problems would be settled peacefully if the West would "face facts" by recognizing China; but the Assembly's Steering Committee voted that China's UN representation could not even be discussed at this session.

## Eisenhower: stormy politics

IN Western Europe Vishinsky's proposals were likely to win more favorable attention than official statements indicated. With "the world . . . now looking the possibility of atomic war straight in the face" (**N.Y. Times**, Nov. 11), Churchill's statement last week that Britain is the U.S.'s principal A-bomb base was poor medicine for European fears. With their economies plunging into crisis, Britain (going into debt at the rate of $5,600,000 a day) and France talked of drastic slashes in imports, including food—a move which would further reduce living standards, make fulfilment of rearmament goals unlikely. Washington officials, said the **N.Y. Times** Nov. 11, "can no longer conceal their concern over the mounting economic crises in France and Britain"; the question was no longer whether to give more aid, but how much more.

Vie Nuove, Rome

**"Poor chap! He always promised himself he would keep up with the cost of living!"**

**OKAY BY MORGAN:** Western Europe's economic crisis, President Truman said, was the reason for Gen. Eisenhower's flying visit to the U.S. Washington's proposed "solution"—a streamlining and stepping-up of rearmament here and abroad—was almost lost in the fanfare of speculation on Eisenhower's Presidential ambitions. The general disclaimed having any, wrapping himself in military sanctity as Supreme Commander, but his visit

. . . left all the working press convinced that Ike wants to be President very, very badly and was trying "to slam the door wide open" at every opportunity. (Doris Fleeson, N.Y. Post, Nov. 9).

While the Gallup Poll showed the general far outstripping other hopefuls, the **N.Y. Times'** Arthur Krock reported Truman had offered Ike the Democratic nomination but had been turned down because Ike opposed Truman's domestic policy. There were vehement denials from the White House down, but Krock stood by his guns, reporting further that the President's offer was merely the climax of a series of Democratic efforts to get Ike as the party's candidate. Washington speculated that Krock's source, described as an "eminent" Democrat, was either Chief Justice Vinson or Bernard Baruch. One suggestion in the story looked like a trial balloon: that the general might win the nomination of both parties. He was at any rate apparently the unanimous choice of top financial groups: political spokesmen for Rockefeller, Morgan and Mellon interests have endorsed him.

**IKE'S "STORMY SHOWDOWN":** Eisenhower's visit against the background of the collapsing cold war highlighted the choice Washington now faces. It could ease the cold war, making its eventual abandonment inevitable, or it could "by some sudden military action make Western Europe a prisoner, forcing it to follow the U.S. lead whether it wants to or not" (I. F. Stone, **Compass**). The same choice was faced in May-June, 1950, when the world-wide demand to end the cold war became so loud it could not be ignored. The answer was the Korean War, which MacArthur said was started by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

It was Eisenhower who had made, earlier in Paris, the frankest statement of the direction Washington has chosen. He told the Parish **Match** that although by the end of 1952 the Russians "were even less likely than now" to attack Western Europe, the Atlantic powers would then be fully armed and "would have to take the risk of a showdown." This would be "a delicate moment for peace"; the showdown would be "stormy."

**Collier's** Oct. 27 war issue and much other propaganda have suggested that 1951's Korea may be Yugoslavia. Last week Marshal Tito's government, which has recently played host to several top U.S. military leaders (as did the South Korean government in early June, 1950) and which faces mounting internal unrest, according to correspondents of pro-Tito papers, filed charges at UN that Moscow and its supporters were threatening the peace by provoking attacks on Yugoslav borders. (GUARDIAN, Oct. 31, threw light on these charges.)

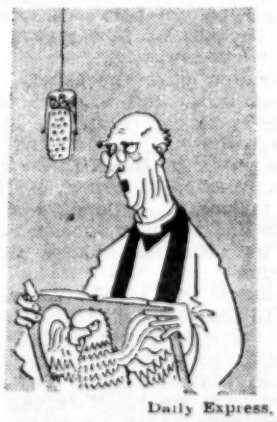
At the Washington airport as he left the U.S., Eisenhower indicated what another Korea would mean at home. Unless, he said, we could get

". . . collective security through cooperation . . . our way of life is going to have to undergo drastic changes and I mean drastic."

**WON'T STOP SEETHING:** Whether Washington would be able to put over another Korea in the face of its European allies' unrest, the increasing militancy of the colonial peoples of Africa, the Middle and Far East, was another question. Many ardent commentators were discouraged. Stewart Alsop (**N.Y. Herald Tribune**, Nov. 12) wrote that on leaving Cairo

. . . it is difficult not to give way to a sense of despair. . . . It sometimes seems that the isolationists are right: that we should retire into our continental Gibraltar, eat our lotus leaves while we may and await our inevitable end.

But Washington, facing a Middle East seething with "mass bitterness" against the colonial powers (Alsop), announced a U.S.-British-French-Turkish "Mid East Defense Command," told nations of the area they might some day be allowed to run their own defense. In the Assembly it joined with France and Britain to block Arab charges that France is violating the UN Charter in Morocco.



Daily Express, London

**"The first lesson is taken from the eighth chapter of the Book of Exodus, omitting for the moment all controversial references to the Egyptians."**

## U. S. soldiers wonder who's fooling whom

IN Korea, U.S. negotiators after discussing a cease-fire line for four months suddenly said no line could be set until all other issues were resolved. This about-face followed another major concession by Chinese-North Korean negotiators, who agreed that the truce line follow the present battleline. The **N.Y. Times** (Nov. 11) confessed there was some "bewilderment" about what was going on. Press dispatches were vague and tenuous. The Chicago **Daily News'** Keyes Beech reported Nov. 7 that claims made by British newspapermen with the Chinese, that "as far as the truce talks are concerned it is the UN press that has been shackled and the Communist press that has been free," are "in some respects so tellingly accurate it makes a self-respecting newspaperman wince." The **N.Y. Times'** George Barrett reported from the front Nov. 12 that unreliability of UN communiques and confirmation of Communist truce-talk disclosures

. . . have helped to cause the confusion and doubts among the Allied troops and helped to develop a reluctant respect for the enemy's conduct at the cease-fire talks. . . . Recent developments . . . have convinced some troops on the fighting front that their own commanders for reasons unknown to the troops, are throwing up blocks against an agreement. . . . In a visit last week to the three major U.S. units and two smaller outfits on this front, this correspondent sat in on several "bull sessions." In most of them, ranging from a generals' mess to a roadside troop squabble, the same question usually came up: "Why don't we have a cease-fire now?" . . .

The unadorned way that an apparently increasing number of them see the situation right now is that the Communists have made important concessions, while the UN Command, as they view it, continues to make more and more demands. . . . In most of the gatherings observed, the UN truce team has created the impression that it switches its stand whenever the Communists indicate they might go along with it.

In Pusan Syngman Rhee's Public Information Officer hoped the U.S. would use the A- or H-bomb in Korea. "The impoverished people," he said, "would rather choose death than suffering in a divided country."

## POLITICS

# PP gains everywhere despite heavy odds

REPUBLOCRAT machines in many parts of the country last week suffered their worst election defeat in years. The breakaway became a national trend.

Some voters expressed it by not voting. Registration was down all over the country, even for an off-year, and many who registered stayed away. Other voters wrapped up their dismay at the war, high prices and high-placed corruption into one slogan: "Throw the rascals out." What they were against was clear. What they were for was more obscure.

In campaigns which more than ever relied on high-priced television and radio appearances, the Progressive Party faced an unprecedented blackout. Still, though PP results in many areas are not yet counted, returns show gains everywhere over 1950.

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# Rosenberg pamphlet on press next week

**By William A. Reuben**

Last April, when Ethel and Julius Rosenberg were sentenced to die in the electric chair, the **N.Y. Times** spread the story over three pages. Last week, when the Rosenbergs, through their attorney Emanuel Bloch, appealed in a 143-page brief the legality of this conviction, the **Times** gave the story two paragraphs at the bottom of page 33.

The press black-out emphasizes the need to find other means of bringing the facts to the people.

Next week, a 32-page pamphlet, containing in slightly abridged form the GUARDIAN series of articles on the case, will be off the press and ready for distribution. GUARDIAN readers, whose suggestions prompted formation of the Natl. Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs and whose contributions have made it possible to take this initial step to bring the facts to the rest of America, are the one group of Americans the committee can rely on at present to help get the widest possible distribution for this pamphlet. It will be available in bulk at $25 per 1,000 copies, $15 for 500, $4 for 100.

This is one pamphlet among all pamphlets NOT to leave gathering dust on shelves. Poor people's dollar bills paid for it. Every copy should be put in the hands of someone who will read it. Order as many copies as you can distribute; start making your distribution arrangements now.

William A. Reuben, Provisional Chairman,
National Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs,
c/o NATIONAL GUARDIAN, 17 Murray St., New York City 7

Dear Mr. Reuben:

Please enlist me in the National Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs. Enclosed $..... to help bring the facts of the case to a wider audience and to assure funds for legal needs. Please send me copies of all materials issued by the Committee. You may (may not) use my name in the Committee's work.

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# The case of the missing GI

By June Cannan
GUARDIAN staff correspondent

LOS ANGELES

MISSING: ONE GI. Or 100 GIs—who knows? So thick is the curtain of silence, so mysterious the circumstances, that no one talks and only a few ask questions.

The missing GI is Sgt. Neil W. Meagher, 20, of Hawthorne, Calif. He is not "missing in action." He is not lying dead on a rocky hill in Korea. He is not a POW. And he has not been sent home.

Where is he, then? That's what his mother, Mrs. Elma Meagher, would like to know, and she is one lady who has been asking a lot of questions—for a solid year—and got no answers at all.

When Neil Meagher was 17 he left high school and enlisted in the Army. He was graduated from pharmacy school, sent to Japan, then to Korea with the medical unit of the 8th Regiment of the 1st Cavalry Division. On Nov. 2, 1950, he was captured near Usan. On Nov. 20, in a group of 27 POW's, he was released. War correspondents interviewed him. Photographers took his picture. He was flown to Osaka, Japan, called for interrogation.

And that is the last that has ever been heard of Sgt. Neil Meagher.

**PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCE:** In Hawthorne on Nov. 20, his mother received a telegram: "We regret to inform you that your son is missing in action. . . ." But on Nov. 29, Los Angeles newspapers carried a picture of released POWs, and one of them—unmistakably—was Neil.

Mrs. Meagher is a remarkable woman, determined, and full of love for her son. When no official word of his safety arrived, throughout the spring and summer of this year, she wrote letters, scoured libraries and newspaper files, bought an old car and traveled up and down the coast searching for some hint of his fate. She found an official Army photo of released POWs with a capt on identifying her son by name. She found several of Neil's buddies, all "sworn to secrecy." But they did describe the missing GI as well and in good spirits on his release. She visited Chaplain Donald Carter, formerly of her son's unit, now of Camp Cooke, Calif. He was embarrassed by the Army photo, wouldn't talk. Later he contradicted himself and denied ever knowing Neil.

**Nineteen went free**

**"Farewell Party for the U. S. POWs to Be Sent Home" says the sign on the backboard. This picture from the Chinese Information Bureau came with the following caption: "The released POWs pledged their fellow prisoners that they would tell their friends and relatives the truth about the American aggression in Korea."**

**THE BRASS IS UPSET:** One released POW Mrs. Meagher will not identify ("I couldn't put the finger on the boy") swears he was flown out of Korea on the same plane with Neil and saw him in Osaka at the U. S. General Hospital before the group was separated for "questioning."

I spoke to Mrs. Meagher twice. The first time she was full of hope. Late in September, the Los Angeles **Daily News** ran the story of her missing son. "The publicity," she says, "drove the big brass nearly frantic." Rep. Clyde Doyle (D-Calif.) rushed in to have his picture taken with the distraught mother and to promise action by the House Armed Services Committee.

The second time I spoke to Mrs. Meagher she was tired of waiting. Another month had passed and still no word. Now another calamity had struck. Her husband, a World War II veteran and aircraft worker, was in the hospital with severe stomach ulcers. Her elder son, 21, is also in the Army.

I asked Mrs. Meagher for her own theory on what had happened to Neil. "It could be that his records are lost," she replied. "It could be that he has amnesia." She paused. "Or it could be something he saw in North Korea. . . ."

**"RE-EDUCATION":** Early in 1950, the U.S. press reported released Korean POWs returning to their own lines, their pockets bulging with "peace propaganda." It was admitted that the Army found it necessary to "isolate" these men. During the year, several POWs have been released, including 19 of the 1st Marine Corps Division in July. These 19 had joined 279 others in signing a POW Peace Appeal to the UN. Four Filipino soldiers were released in August. At a farewell party behind the lines, New China News Agency reports, they, like the 19, promised to work for peace and to tell the truth about Korea.

What has happened to the 19? And the four?

It may be true that Neil is not in the same category as the "re-educated" POWs and is being held for simple security reasons. But there are questions to be answered. During World War II military security was no less a vital matter than today, but returning POWs were not "isolated," nor did they disappear without trace.

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## New York

Rudolph Halley, Liberal Party candidate for President of the City Council, had two large factors on his side:

- As counsel for the Kefauver Senate crime investigating committee, he starred on television, won matinee-idol prominence as a crime buster.
- Both party machines opposed him.

He was swept into office with a plurality of 163,492. The tally was: Halley, 657,158; Henry J. Latham (Rep.) 435,744; Joseph T. Sharkey (Dem.) 493,666; Clifford T. McAvoy (ALP) 104,166.

**JACQUES ISLER**
*The vote was impressive*

The American Labor Party, blacked out in the press, television and radio, took to the street-corner. Having sparked the corruption issue last year, it emphasized this year the link between official crime and the war program. In percentages the ALP increased its strength from 5% in 1950 to 6.1%.

The ALP candidate for Supreme Court justice from Manhattan and the Bronx, Jacques Isler, won broad support as the only Negro candidate. Isler ran ahead of the ticket by 5,400 in Manhattan, 1,900 in the Bronx. He polled 62,802. In Queens, Capt. Hugh Mulzac, Negro candidate for borough president, also led the rest of the ALP ticket with 13,426 votes.

Irving Saypol, Rosenberg case prosecutor with an anti-Negro reputation, ran well behind his ticket but won a place on the state Supreme Court with the backing of both Republicans and Democrats.

**MAYOR HALLEY?** Some progressive votes undoubtedly found their way to Halley as a possible winner against boss rule. Four ALP candidates for Supreme Court in Brooklyn ran well ahead of McAvoy, though few forces were available for their campaign.

The election gave the Liberal Party its biggest boost and brought talk of a Halley-for-Mayor campaign in 1953. But though the party was cordially welcomed to power by the N.Y. **Times** and other conservative interests, its future was still unsure. Many doubted the Liberal Party had much to do with Halley's victory. Its other candidates ran far behind him.

The Liberal Party split away from the ALP in 1944, lagged behind the ALP for years, occasionally joined the Republicans for some fusion victories. The party then took up flashy Democrats like Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr. last year, Halley this year, thereby establishing a successful technique for victories.

**ALP DRIVE ON:** Its ability to keep its stars in line was still to be proven. No sooner had Halley won as an anti-boss crusader, than in a post-election statement he cordially referred to Tammany men as "my Democratic colleagues." (Mayor Vincent Impellitteri, who last year won as an independent anti-boss rule candidate, dropped the crusade immediately after election.)

ALP leaders immediately launched a campaign that could give real power to the independent vote. The state's Wilson-Pakula Law now prevents candidates from filing in the primaries of any party without the party bosses' approval. The Travia Law handicaps petition campaigns for candidates in the primaries. Assemblyman John R. Brook (Rep.) has moved to repeal both laws and ALP announced a campaign to support him.

The repealer and the reestablishment of proportional representation in the state would really free the independent vote, ALP believed.

## Philadelphia PP increases vote 700% over '50

Philadelphians gave the PP one of its biggest shots in the arm since its founding in that city in 1948. The PP raised its vote by 700% over 1950, played a considerable part in the defeat of the Republican machine which had held power there for 68 years.

PP standard-bearers Alice F. Liveright and John L. Holton ran for city council members at large and polled a total which, when fully tallied, was expected to reach 14,000. Much of the increase came from working class, Negro, Slavic and Italian wards.

The PP campaign for peace and freedom was primarily at beat-Poling drive. Rev. Daniel Poling, Republican candidate for mayor, openly stood for war, the atom bomb, FBI wire-tapping. He is chairman of the All-American Conference to Combat Communism. He was called a political weathervane for Republican hopes nationally.

Joseph Sill Clark (Dem.) beat him by over 122,000 votes.

Both Negro council candidates supported by the PP won. Irvin Underhill, a Republican who beat his white opponent by 30 votes, owed his election to PP.

## Ohio

In Cleveland alone the PP last week chalked up a bigger vote than it had county-wide last year. Trade unionist Mrs. Marie Reed Haug, PP candidate for the Board of Education, though under fire from every newspaper in the city, polled 44,000 votes.

Mrs. Haug's two main planks were: teachers' raises and equal opportunity in the schools. Other candidates ignored school issues until election eve, then took over both PP planks.

The PP also campaigned for Ralph Findley, winning Negro candidate for the board, and accounted in large part for his 93,000 votes, according to members of the Findley campaign committee.

## Norwalk PP helps lick 3-party gangup

IN NORWALK, CONN., Republocrats said support from the People's Party was a kiss of death. But Mayor Irving C. Freese had that support, never repudiated it, was red-baited for it daily

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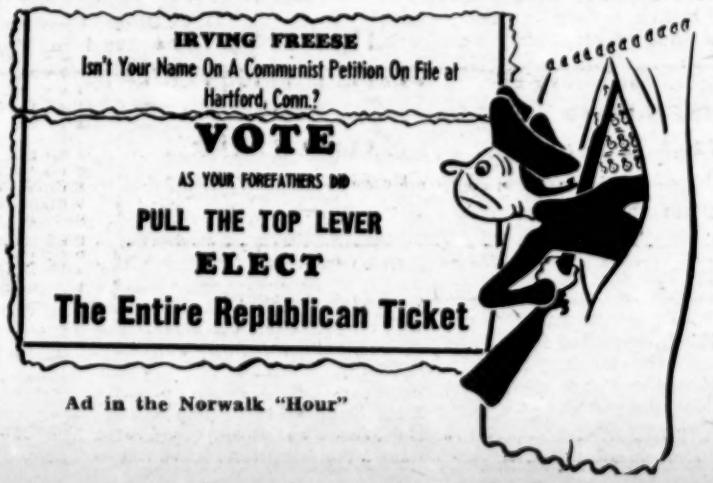
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**Ad in the Norwalk "Hour"**

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and won with the greatest vote ever accorded a Norwalk mayoralty candidate.

Mayor Freese had helped found the Socialist Party in Norwalk and held the mayoralty for two terms as a Socialist. Charging machine politics he broke with his party. The SP then joined the Democrats and Republicans in a three-party group, backing Republican Stanley Stroffolino.

Behind Mayor Freese another coalition formed, composed of Freese's newly formed Independent Party, the People's Party and non-partisans, all joined in a Citizens' Committee. The committee brushed off the red-baiting, hammered away at local issues.

The final result: Freese, 11,667, Stroffolino, 8,077. The town whooped it up with a drum and bugle corps and a victory parade. The coalition will hold the Citizens' Committee together as a watchdog for the program.

**The Progressive Party has called a five-state mid-Atlantic conference at Philadelphia's Adelphi Hotel, Nov. 17-18. Delegates from Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland will meet to assess election returns, map future policy.**

THE LAW

## Groveland prisoner slain; sheriff freed

LATE TUESDAY NIGHT, Nov. 6, a car came to a stop on a back road in central Florida. Sheriff Willis McCall, the driver, got out, ordered his two passengers from the back seat. Minutes later one of them was dead, the other critically wounded, both with three bullets in them. The two: Samuel Shepherd and Walter Irvin, both 24, both Negroes. They were being taken from a prison to Tavares where they were to be re-tried on a two-year-old rape charge; the U.S. Supreme Court, in a unique two-line decision on April 9 this year, had unanimously reversed their convictions and death sentences.

The sheriff charged the two, manacled together, had attacked him. Three days later a coroner's jury found he had acted in "self-defense." But Irvin, in serious condition, swore not only that no attack had been made, but that deputy sheriff James L. Yates, accompanying the sheriff in another car, had fired a third shot into him ten minutes after the sheriff had shot him. No cartridges could be found on the scene.

**DIM JUSTICE:** Protests were worldwide. Under prodding from the Natl. Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People, which was defending the two, Washington announced the FBI would investigate. State Attorney Hunter ordered a grand jury to convene on Monday.

But observers saw small hope for justice in the region inflamed with race hatred. Two members of a four-man fact-finding committee of clergymen and educators who had been in Lake County when the shootings occurred, reported in New York that a fair trial in the case virtally was impossible.

**"BEST OF THE WORST":** The Groveland case, as it has been known, began in July, 1949. Groveland's 600 whites decided its 400 Negroes, most of whom work in local paper mills, were getting too "uppity," had to be put in their place (GUARDIAN, Aug. 29, 1949). A cry of rape set off days of terror. The Negro community fled; many of their homes were burned to the ground. Shepherd and Irvin were arrested with Charles Greenlee, 16. After a two-day trial, death sentences were pronounced. Greenlee got life imprisonment because of his youth. In a concurring opinion setting aside the convictions, Justice Robert H. Jackson called newspaper attacks on Negroes during the trial "one of the best examples of one of the worst menaces to American justice." A fourth Negro, Ernest Thomas, was shot to death in a swamp by a posse.

In Paris last week Andrei Vishinsky, Soviet Foreign Minister, cited the shootings as a commentary on human rights in the U.S.

Drawing by Walter Iler

**Item: The Stork Club refuses to serve food to celebrity Josephine Baker.**

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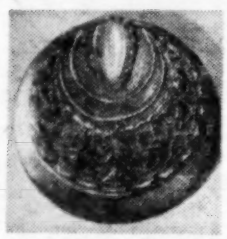

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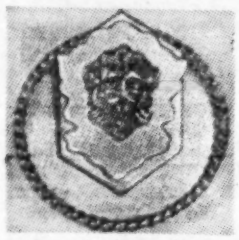

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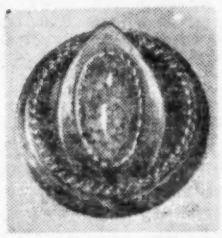

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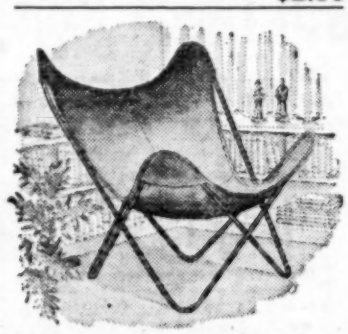

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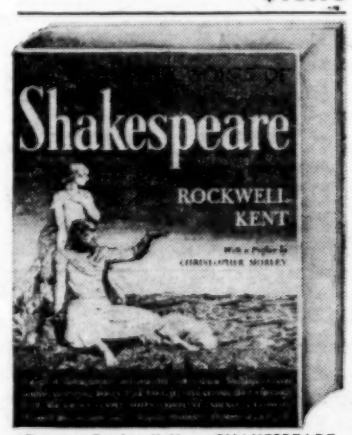


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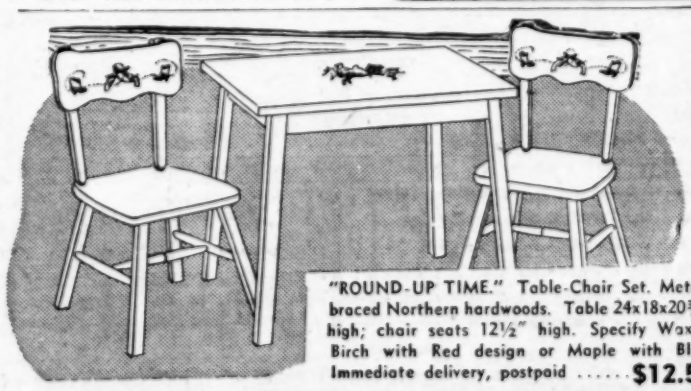

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AS the struggle between the two great forces of our world is resumed in the Paris General Assembly, heartsick humanity longing for peace cries out: Is there any hope in the United Nations?

The answer is that UN is no more than a machinery (and there is no other) for resolving conflicts by compromise; it will work to the extent that its dominant members use it as such and not as a selfish power-political instrument; they will so use it to the extent that the peoples insist it so be used. And people will insist effectively to the extent that they know just what UN is and what it is not, and how their governments misuse the machinery.

This information, with emphasis on the cynical and hypocritical role of the Washington-led West (emphasized because it's the only part of the machine Westerners can influence), is finally available in a book which we must simply describe as every peacemaker's bible.

**TRUTH BLACKED OUT:** John MacLaurin — "pen name of an eminent educator" — knows UN from inside and tells the highlights of its story clearly and realistically, appraising them by that "world citizenship" standard which marks the civilized post-World War II human being. You may not agree with every one of his judgments. Some will question whether his criticisms of Russian behavior in major cold-war debates are fully justified by his facts. But the hysteria-free state of mind in which he pursues truth must hit you like a cool breeze in the stifling political climate we now endure.

Why has this book published by the venerable firm of Harpers been almost totally blacked out in the press? Perhaps because it is loaded with factual ammunition, fatal to the press-fostered misconceptions about UN which will stand in the way of peace as long as they survive—and because

> . . . with a third of their national budget in military expenditure, Americans would face economic chaos if that expenditure were suddenly cut by anything like the figure proposed by the Soviet Government. On the other hand, a similar freeing of funds from military expenditure in the U. S. S. R. would send that country swiftly upward in economic strength. Can anyone doubt that these facts influence national policy in the United States? The question is rhetorical (P. 182).

**HERE ARE THE FACTS:** There could hardly be a shorter cut to getting yourself informed about UN than is provided in this book. A GUARDIAN-length review cannot try to summarize the facts it marshalls about the "veto" (what it really is, where and with what effect it has been applied); about the performance of the self-righteous "West" in carrying out UN decisions (the continuing defiance of South Africa, the British "blank refusal" on Palestine).

From Washington's cold-blooded murder of UNRRA and the Iran-U.S.S.R. dispute to the many colonial territory issues tackled by UN, you will find the essential facts of the UN story here—plus a world-citizen's-eye-view of the economic problems basic to every discussion in UN and its agencies:

> People are hungry and people take costly measures to restrict food production. Children are in desperate need of dried milk, literally to keep from dying, and milk processing factories are shut down, while 30,000,000 pints of milk a day are wasted in Europe alone by a cattle disease that people can easily eliminate but allow to go on. There are untold millions of square miles of land going to waste and untold hundreds of millions of idle persons longing to till it, but the two are not allowed to come together. There is technical knowledge and equipment and people crying for them, but most of them are crying in vain (P. 225).

**MACHIAVELLI'S CHICKENS:** Here you will find the record of how UN members have lined up to vote: not invariably on straight "East-West" lines, as you would think from the sum effect of press reports, but—often enough to keep hope alive for this parliament of mankind—with "bloc" alignments broken down by irresistible principle and common sense. And here, too, is the record of the "sorry comedy" of disarmament discussions, by which the current maneuvers in Paris must be judged: the consistent ridiculing of all Soviet proposals, the "West's" pushing of proposals to "check the size of armies" without any plan or intention to reduce any of them—with no visible purpose save to get another Russian veto and so score another childish "political" point. As the author points out, the actual willingness of the "West" to reduce armaments can only be judged against the fact that it is solemnly pledged in the Atlantic Pact to increase them.

What the six-year UN record adds up to is that the hangover forces of hypocritical power-politic remain strong—but the forces for peace, even if measured only in terms of the sum of true national interests, are potentially much stronger. Already "the air is thick with Machiavellian chickens coming home to roost"—and more and more the small nations (on whom rests increasingly a compromise between East and West titans) are realizing that

> . . . an arms race in the era of the bacteria and the bomb is not just a failure, it is the bankruptcy of statesmanship.

**PEACE THIS WAY:** This book is a timely reminder that peace can break out any time enough of the citizen-taxpayers for whom the Achesons and Edens purport to speak in UN insist that it must.

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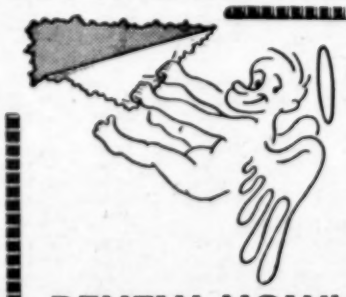

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